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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Office of Information Technology, DA

FROM: Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, DCI

SUBJECT: STU III Telephones

1. At present, this Office utilizes a KY71 telephone system which is located in 7B02 Headquarters. This system is the principal method of secure communications between Headquarters and our Congressional oversight committees. However, we find that the Appropriations Committees of both House and Senate have updated their systems and now use the STU III system. As a result of this upgrade, we find we are unable to communicate with them on a secure system (there is no interface between the KY71 and the STU III.) It is our understanding that the National Security Agency will be installing STU III's for the House and Senate Intelligence committees in the near future. This will further exacerbate our problem as we will be unable to communicate in a secure mode with any of our Congressional committees.

2. My understanding is that the STU III's are still being tested by the Agency and are not available for use at this time. However, it is imperative that we be able to communicate with these committees in a secure manner. Quite often we must discuss matters with them on a priority basis and there isn't time to make the trip to the Hill.

3. We would require a STU III in my office, 7D43 Headquarters, and another one in 7B02 where my Liaison Staff is located.

4. I would appreciate your looking into this matter and advising me on how we can solve this problem.

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